

## **FACING HISTORY AND OURSELVES PATHWAY**

**Research Paper Due:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Background**

Over the course of this year, we have investigated case studies in history to explore how human behavior led to atrocities and oppression. We have also looked briefly along the way at individuals and groups who have resisted and fought back against these atrocities. You now have a chance to investigate in depth a movement in which people organized to fight oppressive systems and societal injustices in an effort to create a more free and equitable society. You will also have the chance to develop your own thesis and form your own argument about the movement. (A bit of intellectual freedom which will, along with being hard-work, be very rewarding and perhaps even a little fun.)

### **Your Assignment**

You will write a 5-7 page research paper about a revolution or freedom movement in world history. Your paper will be an argumentative thesis-based research paper that offers a detail exploration of your chosen movement. You will develop your own thesis statement that will dictate the focus of your paper. You may choose to focus on a particular leader of the movement, the philosophy of the movement, the success or failure of the movement, etc.. In addition, you must be sure to give general background and history on the country in order to contextualize the movement.

### **Criteria For Success**

Your final paper will include:

- A properly formatted title page
- A 5- 7 page (including in-text citations)
- A Works Cited Page (that cites the sources you have used -at least 7)

### **4th Term Grade**

Your 4th term will be based entirely on the work you do on your signature product. The grade will be based upon your final paper and your completion of the work below by the assigned deadlines:

- Notes: locating and taking notes on at least 7 reliable sources (at least 1 primary source and no more than 1 encyclopedia)
- Thesis: doing background research and creating an original thesis statement
- Outline: completing a detailed outline of your paper
- Draft: writing a complete draft of your paper that will be shared with a group for feedback before completion or final paper.
- Works Cited Page: complete a draft prior to banding in paper so that it can be edited to comply with accepted academic formats (MLA)